

Collaborative Partner Librarians' Event - University of Bolton 29th June 2012

This is a very brief report on a half-day event which took place at the University at the end of June and was attended by seven of our librarians/contacts from partner colleges/organisations and several University of Bolton Library Staff.

The event gave the opportunity to staff from partner organisations to meet up with us and each other and to catch up on latest developments, share experiences and to ask questions. Some of the UoB Library staff gave short presentations which were very well received and thought to be extremely useful and informative and prompted some lively discussions.

Following registration, Anne Keddie welcomed the delegates to the event and outlined some of the new developments in the library. These included contact information for the Subject Help Desk and IT Support Desk, combined copiers/printers introduced in 2011/12 academic year, new self-service laptops to be available from September 2012, the Web Pages and Bolton One.

Dawn Grundy outlined some of the new resources available, including Proquest Central and JSTOR and spoke about the enhanced resources of Emerald and CINAHL FT all launched in the 2011/12 academic year. Reference was also made to the support available for accessing and using resources both on and off campus. There was then a chance for the group to have a look around the library and build a pack of resources which members of the group would find useful in their own libraries.

The next presentation was given by Shirley Ward who outlined the support available to academics and students and clarified users who (under normal circumstances) can access University of Bolton electronic resources from partner colleges.

The final presentation was delivered by Graeme Prescott and Dawn Grundy who gave an update on Social Media used by the library. The event concluded with a Q & A session, feedback and an optional tour of Bolton One.

On the whole, the event was thought to be very informative and enjoyable for all concerned.

List of Delegates

- Rebecca Davison (Bolton College)
- Mary Carter (Bolton College)
- Lynda Jackson (Royal Bolton Hospital)
- Donna Schofield (University Hospital of South Manchester NHS Foundation Trust)
- Chris Thornton (C. M. University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust)
- Joanne Whitcombe (Pennine Acute Hospitals NHS Trust)
- Louse Minta (Bury College)